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Hq Sixth Army

1. From 1945 to April 1947 the Hq Sixth Army was located in Shaulyai (55-50N, 23-15E), Lithuanian S.S.R.. Coming from Stalingrad, the Sixth Army had taken part in the last stage of the battle in Kurland in 1945. Prior to April 1947 the army area had covered Lithuania.
2. The Hq Sixth Army was located in a school building in the center of Shaulyai. Its motor transport company was quartered in a factory and some temporary buildings.
3. Prior to 1947 the army was commanded by a three-star general who had held this assignment since the latter part of the war. He was later replaced by a two-star general, who, according to Soviet soldiers, had come from Chernyakhovsk (54-39N, 21-50E), East Prussia. Lieutenant General Babkov (fnu) was Chief of Staff. Ten to 12 other generals, including a tank general, an artillery general, and an air force general, also belonged to the headquarters.
4. The army headquarters had 15 to 20 radio stations spread over the town area, and a motor transport company with a captain and about a hundred MM. The company was equipped with about 40 sedans, 15 three-ton trucks, and four buses.
5. The Sixth Army was deactivated in April 1947. Numerous soldiers were discharged in the spring of 1947. The remainder of the army headquarters was subordinated to the Hq Eleventh Army in Riga. Thus the area of the Eleventh Army, which had previously been confined to Latvia, was expanded to include Lithuania. The building which had housed the army headquarters in Shaulyai was occupied by a corps headquarters. The PTs employed with the Hq Sixth Army were transferred to the Central Headquarters of the Baltic MD in Riga. *

Central Headquarters of the Baltic Military District

6. The Central Headquarters of the Baltic MD, which was generally referred to by

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Hq as that of the Territorial Military Commander, was the command headquarters of the units stationed in the Baltic provinces and was simultaneously in charge of administrative matters. The Hq Eleventh Army was also assigned to the Central Headquarters of the Baltic MD. A four-star colonel general was commander.

7. The headquarters was located in a large white five-story building in the northern sector of the old city east of the Dvina River, near the opera house and the liberty column. Two other streets were occupied by elements of the headquarters.
8. The motor transport company of the headquarters had about 100 sedans and 10 trucks. Several guard companies were employed for the security of the headquarters in Riga.
9. Large-scale maneuvers were conducted by this headquarters in East Prussia in the fall of 1947 and 1948.

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Comment. Various returned PWs made statements on the Sixth Army, presumably the Sixth Gds Army, covering a period ending April 1947. Some of the PWs reported a deactivation of this army headquarters, others mentioned its transfer from Shauliai to Riga. According to the present report, elements of the Hq Sixth (Gds?) Army were absorbed by the headquarters of an Eleventh Army in Riga. The Eleventh Gds Army was employed in East Prussia at the end of the war and was confirmed in the Baltic MD by analysis of officer names in the summer of 1946. There is a possibility that the Hq Eleventh Gds Army moved to Riga after the war and now occupies the northern portion of the Baltic MD. With regard to contradictory information, the question whether the Sixth Gds Army was deactivated in the spring of 1947 or whether it still exists must be considered as being indefinite.

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